

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 78

By Dunn

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article II, Section 24, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, relative to appropriations.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that Article II, Section 24, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee be amended by deleting the second paragraph and by substituting instead the following:

In no year shall the rate of growth of appropriations from state tax revenues exceed the estimated rate of growth of the state's economy as determined by law. No appropriation in excess of this limitation shall be made unless the General Assembly shall, by law containing no other subject matter, set forth the dollar amount and the rate by which the limit will be exceeded. Passage of any law setting forth such dollar amount and rate shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the total membership of the house of representatives and the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the total membership of the senate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing be referred to the One Hundred Sixth General Assembly, and that this resolution proposing such amendment be published by the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee.